House Resolution No. 198

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Keneth Swartz, treasured residents of Peculiar, Missouri, commemorated the splendid occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on January 12, 2003, with a festive reception at the Peculiar Lions Building and a renewal of their vows at St. Sabina Church; and

Whereas, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on January 12, 1953, Keneth Swartz and Dorothy Bures began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony in Kansas City, Missouri; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Swartz provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones through thirty-five years of stellar employment with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, while somehow finding the time and energy for playing golf, woodworking, travel, and affiliation with the AFL-CIO, Kansas City Junior Achievement, and the South Kansas City Coin Club, of which he is past president; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker who enjoys needlework, gardening, and travel, Mrs. Swartz distinguished herself as a Clerk for the I.R.S. and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for twenty years; member of the PTA and local AFL-CIO organization; Pink Lady at CMC Hospital; President of Knotts Pre-School; and recipient of a citation from the President of Southwestern Bell for extinguishing a fire in a telephone office; and

Whereas, Keneth and Dorothy Swartz attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their three children, Stephen Swartz, Larry Swartz, and Kim Brewer; and their eight grandchildren and one great-grandson; and

Whereas, with the words of the Lord to guide their way, Keneth and Dorothy Swartz have remained devoted life partners and have put forth a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sanctity of the vows they took so very long ago:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause for Keneth and Dorothy Swartz upon the glorious celebration of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them tremendous peace, prosperity, and contentment as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Keneth Swartz, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____

Representative Rex Rector District No. 124

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker	 	

correct copy of House Resolution No. 198, adopted